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The land problem in Goa presents features which differ in certain important respects from those prevailing in the rest of the country. Over 60 per cent of the cultivable land belongs to Comunidades which, starting as village Republics, shed their original character and tended to become during the Portuguese regime profit sharing organisations. Although in theory rents payable by the cultivators to the Comunidade were limited to 50 per cent of the gross produce they came to be fixed in actual practice on the basis of bids obtained in auctions held once in six years. Rents at present range from about Rs. 72/- to Rs. 192/- per acre. The present system therefore gives the cultivators neither security of tenure nor the assurance of a reasonable surplus from the land to ensure decent standards of living. Agriculture cannot thrive under such a system. The Government consider that the entire land problem in Goa should be examined by a high level body who should be asked to make recommendations desired to ensure security of tenure to the cultivators and reasonable rates of rent in order to bring about on the one hand a rapid improvement in the economic condition of the tenants and a high level of efficiency in agricultural production. They accordingly appoint a land Reform Commission with Shri A. L. Dias, I. C. S., as Chairman and the following as members:—

- 1) Dr. António Furtado,
Judge, Goa High Court, Panjim.
- 2) Shri Narayan Naik,
Secretary,
Shetkari Parishad,
Goa.

- 3) Shri Madhav Bir,
Sarpanch, Nerul Gram Panchayat.
- 4) Shri Narsing Damodar Naik,
Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Association of Proprietors.
- 5) Shri Pedro Correia Afonso, Benaulim.

2. The Land Reforms Commission shall make a general survey of the existing system of land tenures and land revenue administration in Goa. In particular, it shall ascertain and report to Government the present position in regard to—

- i) Land tenures and their incidents;
- ii) Community lands and their management and administration by Comunidades;
- iii) Relationship subsisting between the owner of the land and the cultivator in respect of security of tenure;
- iv) Levy and recovery of rent by the landlord from the tenant;
- v) The extent of waste land available for grant to landless persons;
- vi) Agricultural Land holdings; and
- vii) Survey and assessment of land to land revenue and the maintenance of record of rights in land.

And with a view to the ultimate realisation of the objectives of land reforms, as laid down in the Five Year Plans, the Commission shall recommend to Government measures to be adopted for the improvement of the existing system of land tenures and land revenue administration and providing, in particular, for:

- i) Security of tenure to the tenant;
- ii) Levy of fair rent on agricultural lands;
- iii) Regulating the management and administration of community lands by the Comunidades;
- iv) Prevention of indiscriminate resumption of land by the landlord;
- v) Prevention of fragmentation and consolidation of holdings;
- vi) The survey and assessment of agricultural land and maintenance of record of rights in land,

3. The appointment of an officer as Secretary of Land Reforms Commission will be notified later.

4. The Land Reforms Commission will submit an interim report to Government within three months of the date of this order on what constitutes fair rent on agricultural land and indicate the extent to which Comunidades should be relieved of their financial liability in respect of functions such as repair of bunds and maintenance of irrigation schemes which they are at present under an obligation to undertake, should its recommendations regarding fair rent result in a substantial reduction in their income.

5. The members of the Land Reforms Commission will be entitled to T. A. and D. A. admissible to the officers of the highest grade for journeys performed in connection with the Commission's work.

By order and in the name of the Lieutenant Governor of Goa, Daman and Diu.

A. F. Couto, Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor.

Panjim, 28th February, 1963.